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SYNCHRONOUS OPTICAL NETWORK/SYNCHRONOUS  
DIGITAL HIERARCHY (SONET/SDH) FRAMES ON PARALLEL  
TRANSMISSION LINKS**

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## AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on July 11, 2005 in the above-identified application. In particular, the co-filed RCE and this Amendment are in response to the Final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on July 11, 2005 in the above-identified application.

A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this amendment.

Please amend the application as follows:

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